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MAILING ONLINE SERVICE

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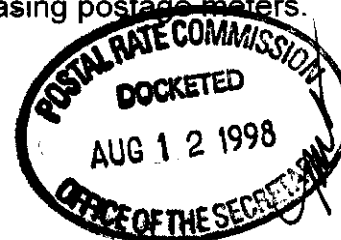
NOTICE OF FORMAL INTERVENTION
BY PITNEY BOWES INC.

Pitney Bowes Inc. ("Pitney Bowes") submits this Notice of Intervention pursuant to section 20 of the rules of practice.

1. The persons who are to receive the service of documents relating to the above-captioned proceeding on behalf of Pitney Bowes are:

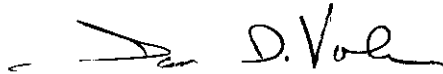
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2. Pitney Bowes offers services similar to the Mailing Online service proposed by the Postal Service. The proposed USPS services is closely comparable to a Pitney Bowes service marketed commercially as DirectNet, a service that, like Mailing Online, permits mailers to transmit mailpieces to Pitney Bowes electronically for printing and entry into the Postal Service mailstream by Pitney Bowes. Pitney Bowes is also in the business of leasing postage meters.



3. Issues have been identified that may require hearing. Pitney Bowes intends to participate in any hearings held.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Volner", with a stylized flourish to the left.

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August 12, 1998

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon the United States Postal Service in this proceeding in accordance with sections 12 and 20(c) of the rules of practice.


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